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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Intelligence
 Deputy Director for Plans
 Deputy Director for Support
 Deputy Director for Science and Technology

SUBJECT: Commendation

1. This is to convey a simple "thank you" to members of the Agency involved in the Middle East crisis these past days. The performance of all hands has been superior. In fact, it is the finest, across-the-board execution of our mission at every level that I have seen [REDACTED] with the Central Intelligence Agency.

2. I have been impressed with everything from the accurate, high-pressure work of our estimators and analysts through the performance of Station Chiefs in grim and dangerous environment to the accomplishments of young men and women be it at the White House or [REDACTED] Our communicators, here and abroad, have maintained the high standards we have come to expect of them.

3. It is not possible for me to reach out a hand to every person who has contributed, but I would like to suggest that each of you convey the appreciation of us all for these achievements and for this uncommon display of duty, competence, and high morale.

4. Be it noted: I do not limit this commendation to the present crisis. We have a daily, world-wide job to do. This Agency in its varied operations and activities is dependent on a self-reliant, self-disciplined officer of intelligence, dedication, and courage. In mankind this is a rare breed. It is fortunate that we have so many.

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